

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****Present Application :**

Applicant : Behrooz SHARIFI *et al.*  
Title : *USE OF PLEIOTROPHIN IN THE DIAGNOSIS, TREATMENT AND  
PREVENTION OF DISEASE*  
Docket No. : 67789-516  
Date : January 9, 2006

**Prior Application :**

Examiner : Unassigned  
Art Unit : Unassigned  
Application No. : PCT/US04/22827

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents:

Prior to examination of the national phase application included herewith and the calculation of fees associated with the claims thereof, please enter the following amendments and consider the accompanying remarks.